# Your Voice

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## **Upcoming Meetings**

#### June 25, 2001

Guest: King County
Exec. Ron Sims
Highline Community
College, Building 2
S. 240th & Pacific Hwy S.
Des Moines
7:00 to 8:30 p.m.

#### July 17, 2001

Guest: King County Assessor Scott Noble Federal Way Library 848 S. 320th St. Federal Way 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.

#### July 31, 2001

Guest: King County Sheriff Dave Reichert Federal Way Senior Center 4016 S. 352nd St, Auburn 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.

#### September 2001

Guest: King County Prosecutor Norm Maleng Date and Place to be Determined 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.



Councilmember Pete von Reichbauer is the current Chair of the Metropolitan King County Council.

# **Woodmont Library Celebrates** its First Anniversary

The Woodmont Library has recently celebrated its one-year anniversary on March 13<sup>th</sup> and we have much to celebrate.

The new facility located along Highway 99 at the edge of Des Moines is one of

Moines is one of King County's newest libraries, and yet among over 40 mid-sized facilities it is ranked second busiest in the County. The new library has supplied over 150,000 items to its new patrons who check out everything from CD's, books on tape,

magazines, foreign language periodicals and, of course, a wide selection of books.

Funding for the new library was granted through the Library District bond issue for new construction, and from capital funds allocated by King County Council.

The 5,250 square foot building was designed by Bassetti Architects, with brick walls selected to act as a barrier to the noise and activity from Pacific Highway South. A reading room and a community room were also included in the design to create a

place for community groups and meetings to take place. The large windows of the modern structure illuminate the spacious interior allowing patrons to read with natural light.

New programs at the Woodmont



Councilmember Pete von Reichbauer (right) and Jim Grayson stand in front of the Woodmont Library. The new library is already one of King County's most used libraries.

Library include summer internships for students through the "Techno Teens" hiring program, weekly chat sessions for patrons who speak English as a second language, and a Friends of Woodmont Library group. Woodmont Library programs and events can be found on the web at http://www.kcls.org/woodmont/programs.html.

Managing Librarian Laurel Steiner expects the number of multi-cultural programs to expand quickly as burgeoning immigrant population in South King County continues to expand. South King County has large Korean, Russian and

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Spanish speaking communities and the library has addressed this population by subscribing to weekly periodicals in all these languages.

The popularity of the new library increases the need for volunteers to work at the library and expand the range of programs offered there. The Friends of Woodmont Library are becoming established and will begin to harness the surge of volunteer energy.

Libraries are a wonderful place to brush up on your favorite subjects, learn a new language, check your email or surf the web. The Woodmont Library provides a friendly, comfortable environment for all these pursuits and more. It is also a great place to take your children and connect with your community; all you need is a library card, which you can get by visiting the library which is located at 26809 Pacific Highway South, Des Moines, Monday-Thursday between 11am-9pm, and Friday and Saturday between 11am-5pm. The library can be reached at 253-839-0121, or you can find it on the web at www.kcls.org/woodmont/ newwoodmont.html.

### King County Library System serves you

**Woodmont Library** 26809 Pacific Highway South Des Moines 98198 <u>253-83</u>9-0121

**Kent Regional Library** 212 2nd Avenue N. Kent 98032

**Federal Way 320th Library** 848 S. 320th St. Federal Way 98003 253-839-0257

**Federal Way Regional Library** 34200 1st Way S. Federal Way 98003 253-838-3668

**Des Moines Library** 21620 11th Avenue S. Des Moines 98198 206-824-6066

**Algona-Pacific Library** 255 Ellingson Road Pacific 98047 253-833-3554



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